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**TEASER****SC. 1 - EXT. TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - DAY**

Fluffy clouds drift past the school as we hear -

1 TWILIGHT (O.S.)  
And the Friendship School teacher  
of the month is...

**SC. 2 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - STAFF ROOM - CONTINUOUS**

THE MANE 5 and SPIKE are gathered as TWILIGHT SPARKLE addresses them. RAINBOW DASH and APPLEJACK lean in, hopeful/anxious, as Twilight announces--

2 TWILIGHT  
Fluttershy!

Applejack and Rainbow Dash slump/gape -- clearly, this was not the outcome they were hoping for.

3 APPLEJACK  
Again?

FLUTTERSHY looks surprised as SPIKE takes her photo. PULL BACK to reveal that there are THREE IDENTICAL FRAMED PHOTOS of Fluttershy on the wall above.

4 FLUTTERSHY  
Oh my. I don't know how I keep  
winning.

5 RAINBOW DASH  
(sour, sotto)  
Yeah, me either.

6 TWILIGHT  
The award is based on the students'  
vote. They must really like you!  
Congratulations, Fluttershy.

Twilight LEVITATES a TROPHY TOPPED WITH a GRADUATION CAP to Fluttershy, past an envious Rainbow Dash and Applejack.

7 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)  
Next item of business. I've been  
looking into a new activity for our  
friendship classes. Spike?

Spike pulls out Twilight's rule book and holds it open for her. Twilight magically flips through the pages, then reads:

8 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)  
Section 147, paragraph 2 states that teamwork is a key part of friendship. And section 229, paragraph 9 says outdoor activity reinforces learning. Add that together and what do you get?

9 PINKIE PIE  
Three hundred and eighty-seven?

10 TWILIGHT  
A teamwork field trip! Leading it is a Teacher of the Month type-job, so I thought I'd ask--

Applejack and Rainbow Dash hooves' shoot up to volunteer.

11 APPLEJACK  
I'm yer pony, Twilight. Sweet Apple Acres has taught me a thing or two about workin' together.

12 RAINBOW DASH  
Yeah, but being in the Wonderbolts is the definition of teamwork.

13 APPLEJACK  
(chuckles, good natured)  
I'm sure you're not sayin' fancy flyin' makes ya a better choice than me.

14 RAINBOW DASH  
(chuckles back)  
I wouldn't say *better*, just a little more *qualified*. No offense.

Fluttershy kindly suggests a compromise.

15 FLUTTERSHY  
Maybe you can lead the field trip together?

Applejack and Rainbow Dash open their mouths to protest, but Twilight enthusiastically agrees--

16 TWILIGHT  
Of course! Who better to model the importance of working as a team?

17 PINKIE PIE  
Um, Rarity, Fluttershy, me, Spike --  
(picks up a flower pot)  
This flower pot --

Rarity <SHUSHES> Pinkie Pie. Twilight smiles at Rainbow Dash and Applejack.

18 TWILIGHT  
BOTH of you are teamwork experts.  
If the students see the two of you  
teaching together, they'll learn  
even more. I know you've been  
competitive in the past, but I'm  
SURE you'd never let that get in  
the way of friendship education!

19 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH  
'A course. / Totally.

But as Twilight turns her back, Applejack and Rainbow Dash slide a not so friendly look towards each other -- only to smile broadly when they catch each other's eye.

**END TEASER**

**ACT ONE**

**SC. 3 - EXT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - FIELD - DAY**

Twilight leads friendship students OCELLUS, SMOLDER, GALLUS, YONA, SILVERSTREAM, and SANDBAR away from the school.

20 OCELLUS  
I've never been on a field trip  
before.

21 SMOLDER  
Yeah, what's the point of this,  
exactly?

22 GALLUS  
Getting out of the classroom, duh.

23 YONA  
Yak best at field tripping.

Yona demonstrates with a large pratfall, proud.

24 SILVERSTREAM  
That's what we're doing? SO FUN!

Silverstream also does a pratfall and <LAUGHS>. Sandbar smiles and shakes his head at them.

25           SANDBAR  
Pretty sure the Headmare has  
something else in mind.

Twilight stops and turns to face the others.

26           TWILIGHT  
Alright, class. Today you'll learn  
how important working together is  
for building a strong friendship.

The group arrives to find a waiting Dash and Applejack.

27           APPLEJACK  
Hey there! Y'all ready to get out  
there and do some learnin' the  
Apple family way?

Rainbow Dash steps in front of Applejack enthusiastically--

28           RAINBOW DASH  
This is basically gonna be the best  
field trip in the history of  
ever... With me in charge that is.

29           APPLEJACK  
(chuckles)  
With us in charge. Meanin' mostly  
me.

30           RAINBOW DASH  
(chuckles)  
Good one.

31           TWILIGHT  
And what teamwork activity do you  
two have planned for today?

32           APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH  
Shed building. / Canoe racing.

Applejack and Rainbow Dash frown at each other, tension broken by an enthusiastic Silverstream:

33           SILVERSTREAM  
No way. We get to do BOTH?!

34           TWILIGHT  
I bet that's exactly what your  
teachers had in mind. Why don't  
you start with shed building first?

35           APPLEJACK  
          (tosses Dash a look, then)  
Don't mind if I do! Everycreature  
follow the leader!

Applejack exits with the students, a sulking Dash following.

36           TWILIGHT  
I'll check in to see how it's  
going. Remember to work together!

**SC. 4 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DAY**

Applejack leads the students and Rainbow Dash through the farm's apple trees. AJ smiles at her surrounding.

37           APPLEJACK  
Now take a good deep breath. What  
do ya smell?

Gallus, next to Yona, makes a face.

38           GALLUS  
Yak?

Yona smells her own shoulder and nods.

39           APPLEJACK  
Nope. Try again.

40           OCELLUS  
Um...Apples?

41           APPLEJACK  
AND... The promise of teamwork!

Applejack points to an APPLE SHED nearby: a small building with a door and a roof, covering apples in baskets.

42           APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
That there's an apple shed.

Applejack nods to a pile of building supplies in the B.G.

43           APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
And this here is what we're gonna  
use to build it! Nothin' brings  
friends together like a little hard  
work and honest sweat.

Rainbow Dash cracks up--

44 RAINBOW DASH  
Sweat? Seriously? That's supposed  
to be part of friendship?

45 APPLEJACK  
Not everypony would know that,  
Rainbow Dash. Just Teacher of the  
Month kinda ponies.

46 RAINBOW DASH  
Whatever. Let's just get this done  
so we can move on to my activity!

As Applejack narrows her eyes, we PRE-LAP <POUNDING> and  
<SAWING>...

**SC. 5 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER**

The students (wearing construction hats) are hard at work on  
the shed, side-by-side and helping each other. Gallus sets  
nails in place, Yona pounds them with her hooves, Ocellus and  
Silverstream carry lumber. Smolder uses a saw, and Sandbar  
paints what she's cut. Applejack oversees their progress.

47 APPLEJACK  
That's it! Measure twice, and cut  
once. Haste makes waste. Slow and  
steady.

Rainbow Dash flies by in a blur, with some wood and nails.

48 RAINBOW DASH  
Emphasis on the slow.

Dash tosses the wood in the air. CLOSE SHOTS: She flings  
nails and kicks them in, a blur of motion.

Applejack watches in frustration.

49 APPLEJACK  
Rainbow Dash! Ya can't build an  
apple shed like that!

Rainbow Dash flaps down to hover, arms crossed, cocky.

50 RAINBOW DASH  
Oh yeah? I just did!

She points -- <BOOM> - the three walls of the apple shed fall  
neatly into place from the air where she constructed them.  
(NOTE: not the door piece.)

The students gape, amazed.

51           SANDBAR  
Whoa! No way!

52           GALLUS  
Impressive...If you can call an  
apple shed impressive.

Applejack frowns at Rainbow Dash.

53           APPLEJACK  
Just 'cause it's fast don't mean  
it's good.

54           RAINBOW DASH  
Can't hear you. Too busy practicing  
my Teacher of the Month pose.

Rainbow Dash strikes several victorious mid-air poses.

55           APPLEJACK  
Don't count your pictures before  
they're snapped, Rainbow Dash.

Rainbow Dash flies down to face off with Applejack.

56           RAINBOW DASH  
C'mon, these students are totally  
gonna vote for a teacher who gets  
things done!

57           APPLEJACK  
No, they're gonna vote for a  
teacher who gets things done right!

The students share worried, torn looks.

58           SMOLDER  
Yeah, this isn't awkward at all.

WIPE TO -- LATER. The shed walls are all assembled.  
Applejack supports a cross beam and Silverstream, Sandbar and  
Ocellus support the walls (now all completed, including the  
door-wall).

ABOVE: Rainbow Dash, Smolder, and Gallus fly above to lower  
the shed roof down toward the shed frame.

Yona holds a GUIDE ROPE on the ground, using it to "steer"  
the roof.

59           APPLEJACK  
Steady, steady... Take her nice and  
slow. Liiiiittle to the left.  
(MORE)

APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
A hair to the right. Now a  
hoofshavin' higher...

60 RAINBOW DASH  
JUST BRING IT DOWN ALREADY!

The students STARTLE and drop the ropes!

61 APPLEJACK  
Take cover!

Applejack dives for cover! A <CRASH> and a dustcloud...

REVEAL the crushed remains of the apple shed -- the side with  
the door still standing. Applejack, Sandbar, Yona, and  
Ocellus pop their heads up out of the debris.

Rainbow Dash gives an "oops" wince. Applejack gives her the  
stink-eye.

62 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
I'll give ya one guess whose side  
is still standin.'

63 YONA  
Yak side!

Yona happily thumps the wall with a hoof. It collapses.  
Applejack <SIGHS>.

64 OCELLUS  
Um, professors? I'm a little  
confused about teamwork now...

65 RAINBOW DASH  
That's because you need a different  
teacher. Follow me! Last one to  
the stream is a rotten apple shed!

Dash flies off with a <SNICKER> as Applejack seethes --

#### **SC. 6 - EXT. RIVER - DAY**

The students (with lifejackets), Applejack, and Rainbow Dash  
(with a STOPWATCH around her neck) stand at a river's edge  
near an eight-creature CANOE (think a crew boat).

66 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)  
Who's ready to smash the all time  
Equestria speed record for river  
canoeing?

Gallus sottos to Sandbar.

67 GALLUS  
Is that even a thing?

68 SANDBAR  
First I've heard of it.

Rainbow Dash shows them the stopwatch.

69 RAINBOW DASH  
We need to get to the finish line  
before this alarm goes off! That  
means you gotta move fast!

Rainbow Dash tosses them paddles... Ocellus ducks hers, and Smolder catches it, then nods and hands it to Ocellus, who smiles gratefully.

70 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)  
Any questions?

71 YONA  
Yona have--

72 RAINBOW DASH  
No time for 'em! Get in the boat.

Everyone climbs aboard as Applejack steps to Dash.

73 APPLEJACK  
You really think winnin' some  
canoin' record is gonna get you  
that teacher of the month trophy?

74 RAINBOW DASH  
I'm pretty sure everycreature's  
gonna like it a lot better than  
pounding nails and cutting wood.

I/C at the river's edge, Yona eyes the boat suspiciously.

75 YONA  
Yak not like water.

76 OCELLUS  
Sometimes, when I'm scared to try  
something new...I whistle.

Yona nods, then starts an <OFF KEY WHISTLE> as she clumsily clamors aboard, <WHISTLING HARDER> when the boat tips. Smolder and Gallus fly up and steady the boat.

77 GALLUS  
We got you, Yak.

BACK ON THE TEACHERS - clueless and still arguing.

78           APPLEJACK  
Way I see it, Twilight's gonna give  
the teachin' trophy to a TEACHER,  
not a RACER.

79           RAINBOW DASH  
We'll see about that.

And on their competitive looks, we cut to--

**SC. 7 - EXT. RIVER - DAY - MINUTES LATER**

TIGHT ON Dash in the front of the canoe (facing backward like a coxswain) with Smolder, Gallus, and Yona. They do a FORWARD STROKE.

80           RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)  
Stroke, stoke, stroke - harder! Put  
your backs into it, newbies!

But Applejack is at the back of the boat, facing opposite Dash, and she's commanding the students in front of her: Ocellus, Silverstream, and Sandbar. They do a BACKWARD STROKE.

81           APPLEJACK  
Stroooke, stroooke, stroooke -  
slower! Focus on your paddle  
technique, y'all!

82           SILVERSTREAM  
WHOO HOO! We're really going now!

PULL BACK to see that because of the cross-purpose rowing, the boat remains motionless.

83           SMOLDER  
So... When do we get to the part  
when we move?

Rainbow Dash leans out to glare at Applejack in the back:

84           RAINBOW DASH  
When everycreature starts listening  
to me. The leader of my activity...  
Applejack. NOW STROKE!

Everycreature finally strokes the same direction and the boat SHOOTs FORWARD. Yona's head snaps back and she begins <WHISTLING> madly.

**SC. 8 - ANOTHER PART OF THE RIVER - LATER**

The canoe moves at top speed as everycreature strokes together. THE RIVER FORKS in the DISTANCE, a large rock defining the separation of the two riverways.

85           OCELLUS  
Which way do we go?

86           RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK  
Left! / Right!

87           SILVERSTREAM  
Aye-aye captains! Wait, what?

88           RAINBOW DASH  
Left! I can see the finish line  
from here!

Rainbow Dash points. ZOOM down the LEFT FORK OF THE RIVER to a CHECKERED FINISH LINE FLAG whipping in the breeze.

Rainbow Dash glances at her stopwatch, and points a hoof in an "onward to battle" pose.

89           RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)  
Dig in team! We can still beat that  
record!

As the students row...Applejack stands to make her point.

90           APPLEJACK  
Stop! The Apple Family has been  
rafting these rivers for years. If  
we go left, we'll head straight  
into the Bite-acuda fish!

Applejack points. ZOOM down the LEFT FORK again to stop at to a SCHOOL OF COMICALLY SCARY FLYING FISH that leap into the air <SNAPPING>, JUST IN FRONT OF THE FINISH LINE.

Rainbow Dash stands to face AJ. The canoe rocks.

91           RAINBOW DASH  
Who cares about a few fish?

92           SANDBAR  
Uh, professors?

93           APPLEJACK  
You'll care plenty when they bite  
ya!

94           SANDBAR  
Guys?

95           RAINBOW DASH  
We'll just row around them.

96           SANDBAR  
ROCK!

Dash and AJ see... The boat is on a head-on collision course with the HUGE ROCK at the fork! <CRASH!>

**END ACT ONE**

**ACT TWO**

**SC. 9 - RIVER - RESUME**

REVEAL the canoe, now split in half, as it floats around either side of the huge rock. Next to the rock (not floating down either fork, so safe from the fish) Dash, Applejack, and the students (except Yona) pop up in the river.

97           SILVERSTREAM  
I LOVE FIELD TRIPS!

98           APPLEJACK  
          (to Rainbow Dash)  
I hope you're happy.

The stopwatch <ALARM GOES OFF>. Dash glares at it.

99           RAINBOW DASH  
Obviously not, because there goes  
our new speed record!

Nearby there's a panicked thrashing of legs and hooves, and wild <WHISTLING>.

100          YONA  
Help! Yak not swim!

Silverstream and Ocellus <TRANSFORM> INTO SEAPONY FORMS, disappear into the water for a quick beat then pop up next to Yona, buoying her up.

101          OCELLUS  
That's okay. Your friends can  
change into creatures that do!

Yona bear hugs them awkwardly, making them all struggle to stay afloat. But everyone freezes when they hear--

102 TWILIGHT (O.S.)  
How's the canoeing...

Everycreature turns to see a flummoxed Twilight walking up.

103 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)  
... going?

The students and teachers step up onto the bank.

104 SMOLDER  
About as good as the apple shed  
building.

105 RAINBOW DASH  
I totally had things under control,  
until Applejack messed 'em up.

106 APPLEJACK  
I did not!

107 RAINBOW DASH  
Did too!

108 APPLEJACK  
Did not!

Twilight stares, aghast, then turns to the students.

109 GALLUS  
Yeah. It's been like this all day.

110 SANDBAR  
I wouldn't say all day. Just, 99%  
of it.

Twilight frowns with a <MARGE NOISE>.

#### **SC. 10 - RIVERBANK - SOON**

Twilight paces in front of a chagrined Applejack and Dash,  
the students far in the BG, out of earshot.

111 TWILIGHT  
I can't believe this! You're not  
teaching teamwork, you're competing  
with each other. I thought you were  
past that!

112 RAINBOW DASH  
We are! Mostly.

113           APPLEJACK  
We got carried away with wantin' to  
be teacher of the month, is all.

114           TWILIGHT  
The Teacher of the Month wouldn't  
care about being teacher of the  
month! I know Fluttershy would be  
thrilled to see another pony win.  
That's it. I'm taking over this  
field trip.

Applejack and Dash share a horrified look - then, switching  
gears, they cooperate:

115           APPLEJACK  
(sells it)  
Hold up, Twilight. Don't count out  
Rainbow Dash for that award just  
yet. You shoulda seen her fire up  
those students to build a shed!

116           RAINBOW DASH  
(super-sweet)  
No way! You're the one the students  
listen to -- besides, you saved us  
from the pony-eating fish.  
(off Twilight's look)  
Long story. But Applejack should  
definitely be teacher of the month.

117           TWILIGHT  
Hmmm. Maybe you two have learned  
something after all.

118           APPLEJACK  
Does that mean you'll give us  
another chance at the Teacher of  
the--

Dash puts a hoof over Applejack's mouth, completing sweetly:

119           RAINBOW DASH  
--Field Trip?

120           TWILIGHT  
Well...

121           RAINBOW DASH  
C'mon, Twilight. We get it. No more  
arguing. Right, Applejack?

122           APPLEJACK  
Right as rain and twice as  
refreshin'!

Applejack and Rainbow Dash high-hoof each other and smile to Twilight. Twilight frowns, thinking...Then decides.

123           TWILIGHT  
Fine. But I'm picking the next  
activity you two lead. A nature  
walk. No pony could possibly argue  
over that. Right?

124           RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK  
Right!

125           APPLEJACK  
See? We're agreein' already!

Twilight nods warily, then trots off. Behind her, Applejack and Rainbow Dash wave and keep up their smiles.

**SC. 11 - EXT. TREES / FOREST - SOON**

Applejack and Rainbow Dash cheerfully lead their students toward the forest. The path FORKS in the road ahead and Applejack notices.

126           APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
Well look at that! The path splits  
up ahead. Left or right?

Smolder runs a claw over her face and sighs.

127           SMOLDER  
Here we go again.

The students watch the following rapid-fire exchange like a tennis match, their teachers out-agreeing each other as they grow more and more over-the top obsequious.

128           APPLEJACK  
Where to, Rainbow Dash?

129           RAINBOW DASH  
I was thinking right... Unless you  
want to go left. Because what makes  
you happy, makes me happy.

130           APPLEJACK  
Ah, heck, forget about me. You want  
to go right, we'll go right.

131           RAINBOW DASH  
But teamwork means listening to  
other ponies, so it's up to you.

132           APPLEJACK  
Well, aren't you as sweet as sugar  
apple pie. But it's up to you.

Yona <SNORTS> and heads for the left fork.

133           YONA  
Follow me. Yak know best way.

Applejack and Dash look up to see their students leaving...

134           APPLEJACK  
Hey, where y'all goin'?

...And they rush after them.

**SC. 12 - EXT. WOODS - LATER**

Looking weary, the group pulls up alongside a sheer cliff.

135           OCELLUS  
I think we've gone in the same  
circle five times.

136           SANDBAR  
Only because 'someponies' won't  
make up their minds about which way  
to go.

Fed up, the group swivels to Dash and Applejack. By now, Dash  
and Applejack's mutual respect war is wearing thin.

137           RAINBOW DASH  
(forced grin)  
Do you want to keep going in a  
circle, Applejack?

138           APPLEJACK  
(obsequiously)  
Up to you, Rainbow Dash. I insist.

139           RAINBOW DASH  
(gritted teeth)  
No no, I insist.

140           APPLEJACK  
(gritted teeth)  
But I insisted first...

141 SILVERSTREAM  
(confused)  
Are we still on a field trip? Cause  
this just feels like being lost.

Smolder rolls her eyes and flies straight up above the trees.

SMOLDER'S POV: Across the chasm (with a familiar river  
running below it), lies a clear path back to the School.

Smolder lands next to the group.

142 SMOLDER  
We can still get back to school  
before dark if we cross that ravine  
and stop doubling back.

The teachers overhear this. Dash tries to play it cool.

143 RAINBOW DASH  
We knew that. All part of our plan,  
right, Applejack?

144 APPLEJACK  
Yep. All we have to do is... build  
a bridge 'cross that... giant  
canyon and we're home free!  
(then, to Dash)  
That is if ya think a bridge is a  
good idea.

145 RAINBOW DASH  
Only if you want to build a bridge.

146 GALLUS  
STOP! Listen - we can just fly  
everyone over and be done.

147 APPLEJACK  
Nope. There's still plenty a time to  
teach y'all a lesson in teamwork.

148 RAINBOW DASH  
Cooperation!

149 APPLEJACK  
Togetherness!

150 RAINBOW DASH  
You are so right!

151 APPLEJACK  
Only as right as you are!

Smolder interrupts, stepping between them.

152 SMOLDER  
OKAY! We'll build the bridge.  
What do we use?

153 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK  
Vines! / Branches!

The teachers look at each other, then --

154 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH  
Vines! / Branches!

They both stare, their forced smiles growing more manic.

155 APPLEJACK  
I'm goin' with your idea: vines. No  
buts about it.

156 RAINBOW DASH  
I'm building with your idea.  
Branches. End of story.

### SC. 13 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - SOON

**QUICK SHOTS** - The students watch in disbelief as their manic teachers build their bridges side by side. (Note: when finished, Dash's bridge is a rainbow-like arc, higher than Applejack's straight tightrope-like bridge.

ON Applejack tossing vines out like lasso ropes across the chasm to a rock on the other side. They catch and hold.

Next to her, Rainbow Dash flies back and forth, stacking an arc of sticks together to form a rickety bridge.

-- CLOSE ON Applejack as she wobbles on the tightrope of vines to try to bind them together with another vine pulled tight in her teeth. She pauses to call--

157 APPLEJACK  
Why use a branch, when you could  
use a vine!

Applejack yanks the vine with her teeth and it <SNAPS>, nearly sending her flying off the bridge. She grabs the bridge with all four hooves in a death-grip and manages a slightly insane smile.

CLOSE ON Rainbow Dash as she struggles to shove a branch in place. She announces to the students:

158           RAINBOW DASH  
Why didn't I think of branches to  
begin with? They're so --

The branch breaks, sending Dash tumbling head over-heels onto the bridge.

159           RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)  
-- easy to work with.

-- Both barely-constructed bridges sway perilously in the breeze next to each other.

Applejack's hooves keep getting tangled in vines as she works to add more of them to her tightrope, getting her more and more wound up. Still:

160           APPLEJACK  
These here vines are just the  
thing, Rainbow Dash!

Dash fights to wrestle a branch into place, while stopping other branches from falling off the bridge with her tail, back hooves, etc.

161           RAINBOW DASH  
Not to disagree, but these branches  
are the way to --  
          (the bridge collapses)  
GOOOOOOO!

Rainbow Dash's bridge (elevated slightly from Applejack bridge) SMASHES into Applejack's bridge! The two bridges tremble for one sickening second, then... drop!

162           RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK  
<YELLS!>

Rainbow Dash and Applejack, trapped in a "cage" of vines and branches, cling to each other as they fall.

The cage jerks to a stop to dangle above the river. Trapped in their cage, Dash and Applejack look at each other then --

163           RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK (CONT'D)  
HELP!!!

#### **SC. 14 - EXT. CLIFFSIDE - SAME TIME**

The students look down at the dangling cage, then at each other, their faces shocked and worried.

164           OCELLUS  
          (looks for a silver  
          lining)  
At least they're agreeing now...

**END ACT TWO**

**ACT THREE**

**SC. 15 - EXT. CHASM - DAY - RESUME**

ON Rainbow Dash and Applejack. Still clinging to each other, they look at the turbulent waters below. (NOTE: The students watch from the cliff above, but aren't in FRAME.)

Dash struggles to fly, but the vines prevent it.

165           RAINBOW DASH  
<efforts> I can't get out!

166           APPLEJACK  
Let me try.

Applejack <STRUGGLES> to form a lasso. Managing to pop a leg out, she lets the rope fly upward, but it doesn't go far. They watch as the lasso falls downward past them and <SNAP!>

A BITE-ACUDA FISH LEAPS out of the river and EATS the lasso.

SUDDENLY more BITE-ACUDA FLYING FISH leap up, <SNAPPING>, just inches away from the pony's viney cage. Applejack and Dash trade a worried look.

167           RAINBOW DASH  
Let me guess...Bite-acudas?

168           APPLEJACK  
          (nods, haunted)  
And they look mighty hungry.

**SC. 16 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - SAME TIME**

The students put their heads together for a quick pow-wow --

169           SANDBAR  
We gotta get our professors outta  
there! Anycreature have a plan?

170           GALLUS  
Leave 'em hanging?

171           SILVERSTREAM  
What?!

172 GALLUS  
I'm kidding. Kinda.

173 OCELLUS  
We need to work fast, and together.

They hear a <RIIIP!!> CLOSE ON the vines connected to the cliffside -- hanging by one tenuous thread!

174 SMOLDER  
But mainly fast...

**SC. 17 - EXT. CHASM - CONTINUOUS**

The vine cage jerks down closer to the <SNAPPING> fish.

175 APPLEJACK  
I hate to admit it, but... This whole mess is kinda our fault.

176 RAINBOW DASH  
Yeah. No trophy is worth getting eaten over.

177 APPLEJACK  
So whaddya say - ya wanna team up and get ourselves outta this here pickle barrel?

178 RAINBOW DASH  
I thought you'd never ask!

Their moment of unity is ruined as a PONY-SIZED BITE-ACUDA FISH with weird fishy wings appears to hover inches alongside the twig cage. It smiles, revealing huge pointed teeth.

179 RAINBOW DASH/APPLEJACK  
Ahhh!!!!

180 PONYSIZED FISH/OCELLUS  
(in Ocellus' voice)  
Don't worry! I'm just the distraction.

181 RAINBOW DASH  
Ocellus?

182 APPLEJACK  
You nearly scared the cutie marks off us!

The ponysized Ocellus fish smiles once more before she splashes down into the school of Bite-acuda fish!

The fish look at Ocellus. She <SNAPS> her massive jaws at them. The fish TAKE IN TERROR and turn and dolphin away. Ocellus chases them away downstream.

Then suddenly, the vine cage <BREAKS> free and falls toward the water! Applejack and Rainbow Dash cling to each other--

183           APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH  
<yells>

The cage JERKS to a stop above the water--

184           SILVERSTREAM (O.S.)  
Need a lift?

Applejack and Dash look to see Smolder, Silverstream and Gallus, the cage safely in their talons.

As Applejack and Rainbow Dash are lifted upward --

**SC. 18 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - CONTINUOUS**

The fliers carefully lower the cage to the ground.

185           YONA  
Yak smash!

Yona tramples the imprisoning branches as Sandbar bite/pulls away the vines, making a hole in the cage.

186           SANDBAR  
Welcome back, Professors!

Applejack and Rainbow Dash step out of a pony-sized hole to the collective <CHEER> of our students (not Ocellus).

187           STUDENTS  
Yes! / Nice! / Alright! / Woohoo! /  
Yak cheer!

188           RAINBOW DASH  
Now that was a rescue!

189           APPLEJACK  
And y'all did it together!

The students trade looks.

190           GALLUS  
(shrugs)  
No big. Those fish weren't even a  
thing.

He turns, cocky, to find himself eye-to-eye with OCELLUS in BITE-ACUDA form. He <STARTLES>.

191 OCELLUS  
Oops. Sorry.

Ocellus contritely turns back to her Changeling form.

192 SILVERSTREAM  
Ha ha! BEST FIELD TRIP EVER!

**SC. 19 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - HALLWAY - EVENING**

Applejack, Dash, and their students walk in, tired but happy. Twilight anxiously waits to greet them.

193 TWILIGHT  
How was the field trip? What did you all learn?

Applejack and Dash share a look. Uh oh - here it goes. And then...Yona steps forward.

194 YONA  
Yak learn ponies smart!

195 SILVERSTREAM  
Yeah! Professor Applejack and Professor Rainbow Dash were such good teachers.

Applejack and Dash trade disbelieving looks.

Gallus nods, begrudgingly adding--

196 GALLUS  
It was kinda crazy genius. They showed us what not to do so we'd figure out what we should do.

Twilight raises an eyebrow and looks to the teachers.

197 TWILIGHT  
Really?

Applejack and Rainbow Dash smile big, going with it.

198 SANDBAR  
It took us awhile to get it...

199 SMOLDER  
Especially at the ravine. It would have been so much easier to just fly home.

200 SILVERSTREAM  
But instead, our professors built  
bridges the wrong way just to show  
us how important teamwork is.

201 GALLUS  
Yeah, that was super-dangerous.  
Talk about commitment!

202 OCELLUS  
We know it's too early to pick the  
teacher of the month... But we'd  
like you to consider Rainbow Dash  
and Applejack.

203 TWILIGHT  
Thank you for telling me! I'm so  
glad to hear your field trip was a  
success. I'll make sure to  
schedule another one right away!

The students beam, stoked at the prospect, and happily exit.

Twilight smiles to Rainbow Dash and Applejack, who still both  
look amazed.

204 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)  
You were actually just competing  
the entire time, weren't you?

205 APPLEJACK  
To tell ya the truth...? Yep.

206 RAINBOW DASH  
Well, not all the time. I agreed  
with you for the whole nature walk!

Applejack turns on Dash in disbelief.

207 APPLEJACK  
Only cause you were anglin' for  
that teacher of the month award.

208 RAINBOW DASH  
ME? YOU were the one doing the  
angling --

Twilight <SIGHS> as Applejack and Dash continue on...

**SMASH CUT TO BLACK.**

**END EPISODE**